

# POSSE SEARCH IN VAIN FOR BOLD HIGHWAYMEN

## Bandits Who Held Up Parr Shoals Cashier Still at Large.

### CHESTER ON MAN HUNT.

#### Outlaws Believed to Have Headed Towards Chester in Order to Make Their Way North.

The following is taken from The Columbia Record of Monday, September 8th:

Chester county was combed almost from center to circumference Sunday by hundreds of citizens, officers and others engaged in the search for the three highwaymen who held up Cashier Mahar and Bultman of the J. G. White Company at Parr Shoals and shot Deputy Joyner of Winnsboro when he resisted. This morning reports indicate that the men who were hunted all day yesterday from Dawkins to Chester had succeeded in eluding their would-be captors. If the men in pursuit at any time came within striking distance of the men sought, it has not been stated in the reports; the dogs have led the way through valleys and over hills, through woods and fields.

#### SCOURING THE COUNTRY.

A report from Chester Sunday afternoon brought the information that searching parties from there had left the city in automobiles and other vehicles and had joined the others that had preceded them. The woods, fields and valleys are being scoured, said the report, and every foot of ground is being passed over with the closest scrutiny. The searchers have formed an almost unbroken line from Cornwell, on the Southern Railway, to Bascomville, on the Chester & Northern, which is the connecting railroad with the main track of the Seaboard. This line is slowly advancing toward the men who were supposed to have left Dawkins early in the morning headed for Chester. This line was 30 miles in length and is moving in accordance with the plans of the leaders to cover every rendezvous or hiding place between the Catawba and the Broad rivers. If the supposed bandits kept close to Broad river and traveled northward, there was a chance for them to have evaded the Chester posses, or if they passed to the east of Bascomville they might succeed in entering Lancaster county through which the Southern Railroad passes almost diagonally. The highwaymen, it was believed, were anxious to get to one of the two larger railroads, which would enable them to catch trains going North. If the men are the professional operators that they are supposed to be, they doubtless have other gangsters waiting for them in one of the larger cities north of Charlotte. These are the principal features of the theories which the searching parties are following out in their efforts to capture the perpetrators of one of the boldest criminal jobs ever pulled off in South Carolina, and the belief has been expressed that some of the yeggs that held high carnival in South Carolina a dozen years ago may have had a hand in the hold-up of the cashiers of the J. G. White Company and the deputy of Fairfield county so unexpectedly on Friday afternoon between the station and offices of the company at Parr Shoals.

### CHESTER ON MAN HUNT.

A large part of the male population of Chester engaged in a man-hunt Sunday, word having been received there that the three armed outlaws were headed in that direction, evidently with the intention of striking a train on the Charlotte branch of the Southern, the main line of the Seaboard from Hamlet to Atlanta, the Carolina & Northwestern, which runs to a mountainous section of western North Carolina. Chester is ideally situated for the highwaymen to continue their flight, provided they were not forced to change their plans on account of the knowledge of their coming possessed by the citizens of both the town of Chester and the surrounding country districts.

The highwaymen were supposed to have spent the night at or in the vicinity of Dawkins, a small station about four miles north of Parr Shoals, on the Fairfield county side of the river. The bloodhounds in the pursuing parties struck a trail early yesterday morning that led them through a cane break and in the direction of Chester. The man-hunters, both men and dogs, followed the tracks of the supposed highwaymen and at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon information was received from Fairfield county that Sheriff Hood of the morning that the wanted desperadoes were believed to be headed toward the Chester section. Chief of Police J. L. Sanders, Sheriff D. E. Colvin of Chester county, deputies and citizens scattered in all directions from Chester, throwing an almost unbroken ring of hunters around the place thus effectively blocking the highwaymen from Chester. It was believed at Chester that if the dogs are leading the men on the right track that arrests would be made before night.

Officers, lawyers, doctors, farmers and newspaper men are repressing Chester in the man-hunt, while on the other hand the Parr Shoals company's men aided by officers are beating all the bushes, byways and highways, hedges and river bottoms, believing that the men who held up and robbed three well known men are somewhere in hiding approximately within a radius of less than 100 miles from the depot at the station of the development plant.

The hunt for the Parr Shoals bandits began Friday afternoon not more than half an hour after the daring holdup of the J. G. White Company's cashier, assistant cashier and a

deputy of Fairfield county. The booty was something in excess of \$16,000, the amount being the weekly payroll of the company. The money was sent from the National Loan & Exchange Bank of Columbia by express to Parr Shoals and there received by Cashier H. W. Mahar, Assistant Cashier Fred Bultman and Deputy Joyner. As the men with the money were en route to the office of the company three men disguised, it is said as negroes, stepped from behind a string of box cars and covering them, Messrs. Mahar, Bultman and Joyner, and made off with the money. As well known now, Mr. Joyner offered to show fight and was shot in the side. The bandits backed away to the edge of the railroad embankment and suddenly turning, ran at a rapid gait to the woods and disappeared.

#### NEWS SPREADS.

The news of the unprecedented act of outlawry was flashed to all nearby railway stations and by night every city in the Southern states had been informed of the robbery and every police precinct and station has been instructed to use especial vigilance in looking out for strange or suspicious characters.

At Parr Shoals the scene changed from a camp of engineering company to that of patrol guards.

The 1,500 workmen were called in from their work and instructed to form themselves into bands and depart in every direction with the purpose of overtaking the bandits. It seemed that by midnight every avenue of escape must have been closed, but the pursued men seem to have been swallowed up by the earth. At the start the dogs became confused, owing to the hundreds of footprints of the hunters and were unable to follow the trail more than 100 yards.

#### DETERMINED MEN.

There were many discouraging features to the chase, but the posses determined to capture their men continue the search all yesterday with only now and then some slight clue to indicate that the bandits had been in the neighborhood a few hours before. The most tangible clues encountered in the early stages of the search were the overalls and a satchel found a mile from the scene of the holdup. Mr. Bultman later identified the overalls as having been worn by one of the men who participated in the robbery. Thus encouraged the pursuers pressed onward with renewed determination. There was every evidence to believe that the outlaws were criminals of the highest order and cunning and men whose wits made them masters of the profession of outlawry and yeggs of the modern school.

#### Can Come Home if They Wish To.

Vera Cruz, Sept. 8.—When the steamer Tamaulipas sails tomorrow morning for New Orleans there will be aboard a few Americans part of whose passage has been paid by the Mexican Government. If other Americans wishing to leave the country, whether destitute or not apply to the local authorities they are promised first-class transportation to any American port to which they may wish to go.

#### 110 Killed by Auto Fiends.

Chicago, Sept. 8.—Coroner Hoffman's campaign to remedy conditions which have been responsible for 110 persons being killed by automobiles in this city this year already is meeting with results. Despite the fact that Sunday was fair and warm and thousands of automobiles sped over the boulevards, the casualty list was the lightest of any Sabbath during the summer. Only four persons were injured and none seriously.

#### Dominican Gunboats Shell the Revolutionists.

Washington, Sept. 8.—Puerto Plata, in the Dominican republic, where a revolution is in progress, is being shelled by Dominican gunboats with great danger to American lives and property. Jose M. Esteve, American vice consul there, so reported today. The gunboat Des Moines is on the way there.

#### NERVOUS DYSPEPSIA. GAS OR INDIGESTION

Each "Pape's Diapepsin" Digests 3,000 Grains Food, Ending All Stomach Misery in Five Minutes.

Time it! Pape's Diapepsin will digest anything you eat and overcome a sour, gassy or out-of-order stomach surely within five minutes. If your meals don't fit comfortably, or what you eat lies like a lump of lead in your stomach, or if you have heartburn, that is a sign of indigestion.

Get from your pharmacist a fifty-cent case of Pape's Diapepsin and take a dose just as soon as you can. There will be no sour risings, no belching of undigested food mixed with acid, no stomach gas or heartburn, fullness or heavy feeling in the stomach, nausea, debilitating headaches, dizziness or intestinal griping. This will all go, and, besides, there will be no sour food left over in the stomach to poison your breath with nauseous odors.

Pape's Diapepsin is a certain cure for out-of-order stomachs, because it takes hold of your food and digests it just the same as if your stomach wasn't there.

Relief in five minutes from all stomach misery is waiting for you at any drug store. These large fifty-cent cases contain enough "Pape's Diapepsin" to keep the entire family free from stomach disorders and indigestion for many months. It belongs in your home.

## COUNTY NEWS

### PLEASANT HILL.

Special to The News.

Pleasant Hill, Sept. 8.—Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Nisbet of Jacksonville section spent a few days with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Beckham, the past week.

Misses Pauline and Lula Twitty returned to Greenwood Orphanage the past week, after a visit to their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Cauthen.

Mrs. J. A. Beckham and sister of Union visited Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Beckham the past week.

Miss Mamie Tiller of Bethune visited relatives and friends of this place last week.

Miss Jessie Beckham returned home from Lancaster Saturday, last.

Miss Jane Caskey returned to Lancaster Tuesday after a two weeks' visit to Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Caskey.

The Ladies' Aid Society will serve ice cream Friday night, September 12th, at E. R. Beckham's. Proceeds for benefit of Pleasant Hill A. R. P. church. The public is cordially invited to attend.

#### Before Arnold "Arrived."

Matthew Arnold once had to protest against an income tax assessment, and did so in person. On December 4, 1870, Arnold wrote to his mother: "My interview with the income tax commissioners the other day, who had assessed my profits at £1,000 (\$5,000) a year, on the plea that I was a most distinguished literary man, my works mentioned everywhere, and must have a wide circulation, would have amused you. 'You see before you, gentlemen,' I said, 'what you have often heard of—an unpopular author.' It was great fun, though going to Edgware was a bore. The assessment was finally cut down to £200 a year, and I told them I should have to write more articles to prevent my being a loser by submitting to even that assessment, upon which the chairman politely said: 'Then the public will have reason to be much obliged to us.'"

#### Wonderful Dexterity.

What appears to be superhuman skill is at times attained by the training of a special sense or of special parts of the human mechanism. In this relation there is reported the surprising feat of a work man in one of the great needle factories.

The workman took a common sewing needle of medium size, one and five-eighths inches in length, and drilled a hole through its entire length, from eye to point, barely large enough to allow the passing of a very fine hair. It is hardly possible to conceive of a more exquisite mastery of eye, muscles and the directing brain.—Harper's Weekly.

#### New Theory of Golf.

Marshall Whitlatch, a national figure in golf two or three years ago, and who recently established a new competitive record on the Oakland course, declares that: Golf and brains do not seem to assimilate. Good golf is played through the lower nerve-centers and motor channels, while poor golf is due to the direct interference of the brain, or consciousness.

#### Something to His Credit.

"At least when I'm dead and gone one thing you can truthfully say for me."

"What's that?" "I never considered myself superior to all other beings merely because I happened to have lived for a while in New York."—Detroit Free Press.

#### Value of Taxable Property in Lancaster County.

County Auditor Jos. W. Knight has completed his abstract of tax duplicate for the year 1913, and his report to the Comptroller General shows the following totals:

Assessed value real estate	\$1,181,140.00
Assessed value personal property	1,282,300.00
Assessed value railroad property	355,875.00

Total value of taxable property	\$3,519,315.00
State tax	\$ 20,263.05
Ordinary county purposes	12,317.59
Special for C. & C. R. R. bonds	7,918.48
Public road tax	21,115.89
Special for township R. R. bonds	2,982.69

Total tax for county purposes	\$44,334.65
Constitutional 3 1/2 mills for county schools	\$12,317.59
Special and local school tax	17,241.43
Total tax school purposes on property	\$29,559.02
Aggregate tax on property	\$94,129.72
Poll tax	3,953.00
Capitation dog tax	919.00
Capitation road tax	11,223.00
Total taxes	\$110,224.71

#### Safest Laxative for Women.

Nearly every woman needs a good laxative. Dr. King's New Life Pills are good because they are prompt, safe, and do not cause pain. Mrs. M. C. Dunlap of Leadlik, Tenn., says: "Dr. King's New Life Pills helped her troubles greatly." Get a box today. Price 25c. Recommended by Lancaster Pharmacy and Standard Drug Company.

#### WHY IT LOOKS BIG.

### Moon's Larger Appearance Near Horizon is Optical Illusion.

Charlotte Observer.

The moon's larger appearance when near the horizon as compared with its size at the zenith is really an optical illusion, and accurate angular measurements have shown that it is actually a trifle smaller when low down, as it should be on account of being a little more distant. Adding a new attempt at explanation, Dr. M. Ponzio, an Italian psychologist, compares this with an illusion already represented by E. T. Sanford, another psychologist. Two straight lines are brought together at an acute angle at one end, two exactly equal circles being then drawn between the lines, when the circle

nearer the apex appears decidedly the larger, but the illusion lessens as the angle is made less acute. As the celestial bodies near the horizon, they appear in the angle formed by the earth and the declining arc of the sky. The conditions are just those of the artificial lines and circles, and its enlargement in the narrowing angle is a contrast the moon conspicuously brings out as compared with the spectacle it presents in the free sky. The fact that the apparent enlargement is not always the same may be due to changes in the angle by clouds or vapors.

#### Advertised Letters for Week Ending September 13, 1913.

Thurlow Langley, special delivery; Mrs. Della White, Wilson Threatt, Anderson Sanders, Miss Mamie Simon, Arthur Stuart, Miss Ellen Robinson, Miss Millie Henderson, Juenns Jones, J. G. Howington, Otes Boyd, Miss Minnie Bowlware, Miss Mattie Neal, Eugene G. Catoe, Mrs. Mary Clark, W. L. Tarter, W. L. Foster, Miss Connie Truesdel.

When calling for above letters please say "Advertised."

JAS. F. HUNTER, Postmaster.

#### Two Killed in Motorcycle Race.

Cologee, Germany, Sept. 8.—Gus Lawson, an American cyclist, and Scheurmann, a German rider, were killed, and Meinhold, the Gearman's pace-maker, was fatally injured here today in the course of a motor-paced bicycle race for the 100 kilometre championship.

While Lawson was racing with

Guignard, a Frenchman, a tire of his motorcycle burst and the racers were hurled to the bottom of the track. Lawson's skull and both arms were fractured.

#### Mother of Eighteen Children.

"I am the mother of eighteen children and have the praise or doing more work than any young woman in my town," writes Mrs. C. J. Martin, Boone Mill, Va. "I suffered for five years with stomach trouble and could not eat as much as a biscuit without suffering. I have taken three bottles of Chamberlain's Tablets and am now a well woman and weigh 168 pounds. I can eat anything I want to, and as much as I want and feel better than I have at any time in ten years. I refer to any one in Boone of vicinity and they will vouch for what I say." Chamberlain's Tablets are for sale by all dealers.

#### Lost Certificate of Stock.

Take notice that certificate No. 126, dated Sept. 15, 1910, for ten shares of the capital stock of the Citizens' Building and Loan Association, Series No. ONE, Lancaster, S. C., issued to me and transferred by me to Misses Maude and Mayme Gregory has been lost or destroyed and the undersigned will make application to said Citizens' Building and Loan Association for a new certificate of stock on the 20th day of September, 1913.

S. E. GREGORY, MAYME GREGORY, MAUDE GREGORY.

## Come to the Auction Sale of Cottage Lots at

# BIG SPRINGS

The Coming Resort of Eastern Carolina.

## Wednesday, Sept. 17th

Sale starts at 11 o'clock a. m., Rain or Shine.

Big Springs is located on the S. A. L. Ry., 4 miles from McBee, 2 miles from Bethune, 18 miles from Hartsville, 18 miles from Bishopville, 20 miles from Camden, 25 miles from Lamar, 20 miles from Kershaw, 32 miles from Cheraw, 32 miles from Darlington, 40 miles from Florence, Sumter and Lancaster. More than 10,000 people visited the Springs this season. TERMS OF SALE—One fourth cash, one-fourth December 1st, 1913, and balance in one and two years at 7 per cent interest on deferred payments. Three Lots and other valuable prizes given away. Music by brass band.

## Big Springs Resort Co.

BIG SPRINGS (Near Bethune), S. C.

# MID-SUMMER CLEARANCE SALE

In order to close out our summer goods we have decided to offer our entire stock

# AT AND BELOW COST

If there is anything at all you need, it will pay you to look through and see the prices for yourself. A great many of these goods will only last a few days, so you had better act quick.

## Lancaster Mercantile Co. SPRINGS BLOCK